

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Systems and methods are disclosed for an embedded media terminal adapter (EMTA) that remotely switches telephony services from a telephone service provider to a telephony/cable service provider, which transmits telephony services via a coaxial cable network. The EMTA further enables local number portability (LNP) with very limited disruption to service. Switches that are responsive to command signals over the coaxial cable network are included in the EMTA. Upon release of service from the telephone service provider, the telephony/cable service provider transmits a command signal via the coaxial cable network to the EMTA, thereby remotely activating the switches. Subsequently, the EMTA receives telephony services from the telephony/cable service provider.